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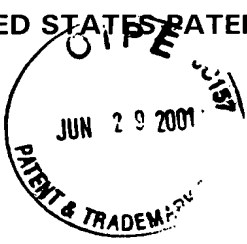
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**STATEMENT FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN  
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1) This Statement is being made for the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement accompanying this Statement.

2) I, Stephanie Seidman, certify that each item of information contained in the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication dated April 2, 2001, from the German Patent Office in connection with German Patent Application No. 19882066.6-44. Thus, each item of information was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the attached Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

3) The person making this Statement is an attorney of record in the above-captioned application and signs below on the basis of information in the attorney's file.

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Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and includes a Statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), therefore a fee should not be required. If it is, however, deemed that a fee is due in connection with this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement or any subsequent Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, it may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Forms PTO-1449 (2 pages) and copies of cited documents are provided herewith.

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a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, nor to the knowledge of the applicant's representative, after making reasonable inquiry, was any item of information contained in this Form PTO-1449 known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

The cited documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 and supplied herewith are in the English language, with the exception of items E, F, G, H, I, and J. Items E (French Patent No. FR 2403556 A) is in the French language and is supplied with an English language Derwent abstract (item N) describing the subject matter and a Certified English Language Translation (item K). Items F, G, H, and I (German Patent Nos. DE 3627063 C2, 3717209 C2, 3717210 A1, and 4237381 C1) are in the German language and are supplied with an English language Derwent abstract describing the subject matter (O, P, Q, R respectively). Items G and H are also provided with a full Certified English Language Translation (items L and M respectively). Item F is provided with an English Language equivalent, European Patent application 263934 (item C). Item J, (German Patent No. 69015566 T2) is also in the German language and an English Language equivalent, U.S. Patent No. 5,410,068, was provide with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on 12/21/99 with the above captioned application. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

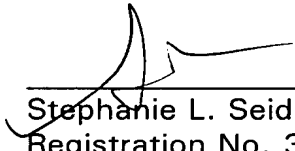
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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